Elections/Restrictions

The Applicant is required under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held allowable. Applicant has elected Species II, without traverse, which is represented in the drawings labeled Figures 2-5 and in the claims 1, 2, 5-11 and 13-20.

The applicant has withdrawn claims 3, 4 and 12.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, applicant's claims are patentable and the application should be in condition for allowance.

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